House Resolution No. 1801

Whereas, the members of the Missouri House of Representatives always welcome the opportunity to acknowledge special events experienced by Show-Me State residents who have been blessed by exceptionally long and productive lives; and

Whereas, born on April 4, 1915, in Stumptown to Neal and Goldie Miller, Alta Dessie Miller Dines will soon celebrate her Ninetieth Birthday with a gathering of family members and friends at Forrest Park in Appleton City on Saturday, April 2, 2005; and

Whereas, after an enjoyable childhood filled with the educational and rewarding activities that come from having six siblings, the former Alta Miller established a family of her own through her joyful marriage to Cecil Theodore Dines who loved and cherished her with all of his heart for forty-five years until his death; and

Whereas, the marital union of Alta and Cecil Dines was blessed with wonderful children, Bettie Sue Dines, Bill Dines, Jerry Dines, Sally McSlarrow, Linda Roush, Mike Dines, Andy Dines, and Tommy Dines; twenty-four grandchildren; twenty-five great-grandchildren; and two great-great-grandchildren; and

Whereas, Alta Dines helped support her family through her employment at Moray Toy Factory, Cloverleaf Manufacturing, and a turkey and chicken farm; and

Whereas, Alta Dines is a member of First Baptist Church of Appleton City and the recipient of a 2003 trophy from the International Society of Poets for her "After the Storm" which has appeared in such publications as <u>Ozark Mountaineer</u> and <u>Ozark Chigger</u>; and

Whereas, a vibrant part of the twenty-first century, Alta Dines enjoys a life which encompassed most of the twentieth century with its first flights by heavier-than-air craft, worldwide turmoil associated with World War I and World War II, rise of the automobile as America's preferred mode of travel, demise of the Soviet Union as the Cold War drew to a close, and shift from a primarily agricultural economy to one dependent upon industry and then upon the service and information sectors:

Now, therefore, be it resolved that we, the members of the Missouri House of Representatives, Ninety-third General Assembly, join unanimously to applaud the joyous arrival of the Ninetieth Birthday of Alta Dines and to convey to her this legislative body's heartiest congratulations upon attaining such a rare milestone in life and our best wishes for many more celebratory events in the future; and

Be it further resolved that the Chief Clerk of the Missouri House of Representatives be instructed to prepare a properly inscribed copy of this resolution in honor of Alta Dines of Appleton City, Missouri.

Offered by

Rod Jetton, Speaker

Representative Larry D. Wilson
District No. 119
I, Rod Jetton, Speaker of the House of Representatives, Ninety-third General Assembly, First Regular Session, do certify that the above is a true and correct copy of House Resolution No. 1801, adopted April 5, 2005.